Statewide In-stream Flow Reservations



IFR background

In June 2002 (amended December 13, 2002) Memorandum of Understanding Between ADF&G and ADNR to address, coordinate and adjudicate ADF&G's Instream Flow Reservation applications.

Numbers

- Currently there are 289 pending IFR applications.
 - •76 Alaska Department of Fish and Game
 - •193 USF&W
 - 7 USDI BLM
 - 7 Private organizations
- IFR Certificates issued 24

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$$1988 = 5$$

$$1991 = 2$$

$$2004 = 2$$

$$2003 = 4$$
 $2004 = 2$ $2005 = 4$

$$2006 = 4$$

13 New applications received in 2006

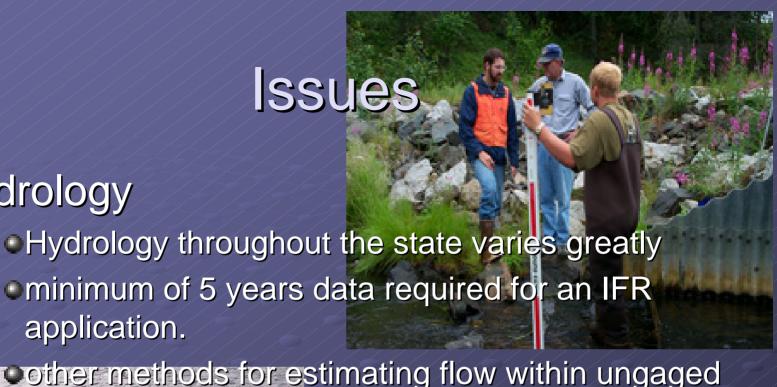
Current open files

- Situk River
 - waiting on Federal water rights wording for decision
- Lake Creek
 - Reviewing decision
 - **Buskin River**
 - 2 reaches
- Kenai River
 - 3 applications
- Baranof River
 - 3 applications

- Sagavanirktok River
 - 2 applications, 3 reaches
- Kuparuk River

Side Projects

- Harding Lake Stabilization
 - Rogge Creek Diversion into Harding Lake for N.
 Pike habitat restoration
- Joint effort between ADNR & ADF&G
 - Completion of the Kenai River Middle Reach IFR application.
- Writing an IFR adjudication process for ADF&G applications
 - Try and standardize how we approach an IFR application.
 - Working with several F&G people that all have different approaches.



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Hydrology

application.

Line up the hydrograph with species periodicity chart to help predict

Trouble periods

Winter and break up flows





DNR-Major Water Issues

- Conflicts over water in Matanuska-Susitna Borough
- Increased water use for mining projects-some highly controversial- for example, Pebble
- Expansion of subsistence rights under federal law tied to reserved water rights
- Construction of new dams for mining projects
- Growth in water use for oil and gas development





Kuparuk Streamflow Statistics

Year	Annual mean streamflow, in ft ³ /s
1992	1,229
1993	1,451
1994	1,277
1995	1,527
1996	1,636
1997	2,247
1998	1,167
1999	1,264
2000	1,647
2001	1,403

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